

Applicant: William R. Kissel
Serial No.: 10/828,756
Group Art Unit: 3682

REMARKS

No new matter is added by this amendment. The present application was filed on April 21, 2004 with original claims 1-40.

In a previous amendment, claims 4 and 22 were amended. By this amendment, claims 2-3, 14-19, 21-22, 30, 33-38 have been amended. The claims remaining in consideration are claims 2-19 and 21-38. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 20, and 39-40 have been cancelled without prejudice solely for the purpose of moving the present application to issue. Applicants expressly reserve the right to file a continuation application with the cancelled claims.

The Examiner indicated that claims 3-19 and 22-38 contain allowable subject matter. This is noted with appreciation.

Claim 3 has been amended to be in independent form containing all of the limitations of original parent claim 1.

Claim 2 has been amended to be dependent on allowable claim 3.

Claims 4-10 are ultimately dependent on allowable claim 3.

Claim 11 has been amended to be in independent form containing all of the limitations of original parent claim 1.

Claims 12-13 are ultimately dependent on allowable claim 3.

Each of claims 14-19 have all been amended to be in independent form containing all of the limitations of original parent claim 1.

Claim 22 has been amended to be in independent form containing all of the limitations of original parent claim 1.

Claims 23-29 are dependent upon allowable claim 22.

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Claim 30 has been amended to be in independent form containing all of the limitations of original parent claim 1.

Claim 31-32 are dependent upon allowable claim 30.

Each of claims 33-38 have been amended to be in independent form containing all of the limitations of original parent claim 1.

It should be noted that although the Office Action Summary lists claims 38 and 40 as being rejected, the DETAIL ACTION appears to reject claims 39-40. Furthermore, the subject matter of dependent claim 38 mirrors claim 19 which the Examiner indicated allowable. Furthermore, the Examiner provided no details regarding a rejection of claim 38 in the DETAIL ACTION section. For these reasons, applicants believe that the Examiner intended to indicate that claim 38 contained allowable subject matter and to reject claim 39.

Claims 2-19 and 21-38 remain in the application. The Examiner has indicated that all the remaining claims contain allowable subject matter. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the application, as amended, is now presented in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully solicited. Applicant believes that no additional fees are due, however, if any become required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account 08-2789 in the name of Howard & Howard Attorneys, P.C.

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If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview would be helpful, please contact the undersigned at the number below.

Respectfully submitted

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